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From the Editors Desk

I suppose like all of us I find it rather frightening that this is the last moth of the year and Christmas is almost upon us. It is almost traditional to take the time to review the past and make plan for the new year around the corner.

My first plan is to hand over the reins of the DryBlower to the CRC staff as I honestly think it is time for a change of format and perhaps fresh ideas for our monthly newsletter. I have thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of putting the magazine together and in the most part the contributions and ideas you the readers have come forth with. We have tried different ideas and segments, some popular other not so, but primarily we have tried to entertain, inform and hopefully amuse.

One of my disappointments has been the reception to the "Letters to the Editor" segment. I never intended it to be a forum for personal diatribes, propaganda or narrow points of view. For that reason I have suggested that we drop the segment but of course readers can make contributions as they see fit for publication on the basis that it is of general interest to the community. Of course we are all entitled to our personal opinions about anything but that does not mean that our magazine has to be a soap box when there are many other avenues available for people to make the opinions known. I appreciate the kind comments from readers in this edition but as I said I never intended this segment to become like a ping pong match.

On a far brighter note I say a great big thank you to all those who have made contributions to the DryBlower, your efforts were much appreciated and please keep them coming as that is what makes this magazine interesting and diverse. I relinquish the role with sadness but I must admit I did find the collating and researching time consuming at times to the detriment of my other roles. For this reason I shall only continue in the role of Editor in name only and will watch the future of the magazine with great interest.

It seems like the year has once again flown by, I guess that is the joy of being mature aged, time doth fly As a community we have seen some changes take place this year with the mine and camp closing so here is hoping that other companies will pick up the slack and that Cue continues to prosper and hopefully grow. t would be also great to see a greater involvement of people in the various volunteer organisations in the New Year. As Ruth Bade Ginsburg said "Whatever community organisation, whether it's a women's organisation, or fighting fires.... you will get satisfaction out of doing something to give back to the community that you never get in any other way". So why not give the matter some thought, and if you have some time to spare, maybe you could volunteer.

I cannot let this opportunity pass without wishing all DRYBLOWER readers a very Merry Christmas and a really Happy New Year. I urge everybody to take it easy, have a great break and safely return after the holiday. We approach the New Year with optimism .I would like to conclude this editorial with the following New Year's resolution with a quote from Helen Keller

"Be of good cheer. Do not think of today's failures, but of the success that may come tomorrow. You have set yourselves a difficult task, but you will succeed if you persevere; and you will find a joy in overcoming obstacles. Remember, no effort that we make to attain something beautiful is ever lost."

Merry Christmas

Ian W. Dennis (Editor)

From The CEOs Desk

On behalf of all the Shire staff we would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Safe and Prosperous New Year. I would like to congratulate the Cue CRC for the excellent work they undertaken in producing the 'Dryblower' for the past twelve months.

The past month has been busy for the Administration with preparations for Cue Parliament; attending the Murchison Executive Group meeting at Wooleen; Volunteers night – with a special mention for Neil and Maggie, Steve Manning and Vicki Blackmore, without people such as these our town would be very much the poorer. Significant time has been spent on compliance issues such as the Audit and Regulation 17 – Risk Management.

A new disinfection chlorination plant has been installed in the Water Park and various maintenance works carried out. The result of this work is that the water is now automatically kept in balance in respect to pH and chorine levels; the water pressure has increased markedly and all of the water features are working as they were originally designed to work. I remind patrons to ensure that this area is kept clean and sanitary with nappies being disposed of appropriately and with younger patrons who require such garments to wear water proof nappies. Every time the system gets contaminated with faecal matter it is required to be closed for a considerable period of time and this is not fair on other users of the facility who do the right thing.

Work on the Austin Street island reticulation system is now complete. It has only been operational for one week; already I can see the difference in the quality of the lawn. The same can be said for the Rose Garden. Unfortunately much of the work that has been carried out on the gardens has been replacing existing infrastructure that was either not fit for purpose, poorly maintained or defective. Now that these have been repaired we will be able to get on with new works. At the last ordinary meeting of Council it was resolved to trial the laying of some artificial grass in Darlot Street and Robinson Street.

There has been a concerted effort in and around town to reduce the number of Dogs that are wandering around. It is reminded that there are significant penalties for the owners of animals that are found to be wandering. The Shire Ranger and authorised staff are taking a no tolerance approach to wandering dogs; dog traps are being deployed to capture these wandering dogs, once caught they will be placed in the pound and will only be released if the animal is registered with all fees being paid, this can be in excess of $300.

Road works on the flood damaged roads is progressing with work on the Dalgaranga Road nearing completion. The Shire staff has finished works on Kali Road and are now getting ready to commence construction work on Cue – Wondinong Road where there is 6.2 kilometres of re-construction to undertake.

Again I wish you all a very SAFE and HAPPY Festive Season.

John McCleary, JP

Chief Executive Officer

From The President's Desk

After many requests the Water Corporation have announced they will install an Electro Dialysis Reversal system to treat Cue town water. Currently work is scheduled to start in 2018 with completion expected in 2019.The project cost is approximately $ 14 million and is subject to six monthly capital work reviews.

Personally, this news is very pleasing; as it has been an issue I have pursued for some years and was one of the objectives I included in my council election campaign. Naturally an earlier start date would be even better news but having the project officially on the Water Corporations Capital Works Programme is a huge step forward.

On the subject of capital works I would like to congratulate John McCleary and his team on successfully obtaining more than $200,000 in black spot funding for the Marshall Street intersection.

During November I attended a L.E.M.A.C. (local emergency management committee) where several senior members of state government, police, and army outlined resources available and the" trigger" mechanisms needed to deploy them. One thing was painfully clear, if we have even a "small disaster" our "first responder" groups like ambos are woefully undermanned, and at the risk of sounding like a cracked record,

Please, if you are able, join up!

Volunteer's night was a cheerful affair and the hall was a good venue which should be used more. For me the highlight of the evening was being able to make a presentation to Neil and Maggie Lawton, I think everyone was impressed with the stunning framed photograph of the old post office taken by Tony Lee and I believe it will enjoy "pride of place" in Neil and Maggie's home.

I would like to welcome Sergeant Nick Wilson, his wife Lisa and their two young boys to Cue, I hope their tour of duty is a happy one and the children take to their new school with enthusiasm.

I expect many people know that one of Cue's more colourful identities Den Miles died recently. He continued to spit out ideas like a volcano right to the end, and whilst most were impracticable, there was no denying his vehement enthusiasm!

LASTLY, PLEASE NOTE SATURDAY DECEMBER 13 FOR THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BBQ AND VISIT BY SANTA.

Regards,

Roger.

Cue Police Newsletter

I would like to start by introducing myself, Sergeant Nick WILSON, Officer in Charge at the Cue Police Station. Having only been in town a couple of weeks I am already impressed by the friendly nature of locals and the attractions the area has to offer. I have only had a warm welcome from all members of the community to date.

I am a no nonsense officer with a firm focus on our local community and enforcement of all offences with a proactive view of prosecuting those responsible. On this note, whenever you see the front door to the police station open it means we are in the office and available and I would be very interested in hearing what is happening in the community. Working together we can make Cue a safer community and stamp out anti-social behaviour and other issues the town maybe experiencing. If you don't tell us about issues arising, we can't do anything about it. Issues raised anonymously through public media relating to anti-social behaviour, street drinking and incidents that disturb the peace are nearly impossible to follow up and stamp out, so please contact police and make us aware as the incidents are occurring. Cue itself has a very low rate of these offences and by working together I am sure we can stamp them out completely.

It has been an ongoing request from members in our community to be informed on crime statistics in and around the Cue Shire. Western Australian Police have an internet site which enables you to see the current crime statistics for any area within Western Australia. The site can be reached through the Western Australian Police website.

Our crime statistics cover residential burglaries, commercial burglaries, motor vehicle theft, graffiti and vandalism. Each offence is listed by suburb. If no offences were recorded in a suburb it will not be listed.

Search results for ***CUE*** between **January 2014** and **December 2014** inclusive:

Month	Assault	Burglary (Dwelling)	Burglary (Other)	Graffiti	Robbery	Steal Motor Vehicle
January 2014	2	0	0	0	0	0
February 2014	1	1	0	0	0	0
March 2014	1	1	1	0	0	0
April 2014	1	0	0	0	0	0
June 2014	1	2	0	0	0	0
July 2014	2	0	0	0	0	0
August 2014	1	0	0	0	0	0
September 2014	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	9	5	1	0	0	0

Home and Property Security

Please continue to monitor your personal and home security throughout the warmer months. Keep doors and windows locked, and garage doors closed. During the summer, homeowners are often in and out frequently, and enjoy leaving windows open to enjoy the warm weather, but this isn't wise from a home security standpoint. Even leaving a door or window unlocked for a brief period of time can be an opening for a criminal. Leaving garage doors open can give burglars and criminals a glimpse of tempting items they may want to steal, and can also give them information about other access points to a home.

This can be extended to motor vehicles also, nothing is more tempting for a crook than an unlocked vehicle when there are valuables in a vehicle.

Damage at the Public Toilets

At some stage over the weekend someone decided to take it upon themselves to defecate in the hand basin at the public toilets. This behaviour constitutes an offence of Criminal Damage which can carry a term of imprisonment. If anyone has any information please contact Cue Police. Not only is the act itself disgusting, but there are those who have to clean it up and it is not a good image of the town for anyone stopping to use the amenities on the way through.

Give Way to Emergency Vehicles

Do you know what to do if you encounter an emergency vehicle when driving?
An emergency vehicle is described as a vehicle with flashing blue or red lights; it's generally a police, fire or ambulance vehicle. Emergency vehicles use flashing lights and sirens when travelling to emergencies and life threatening situations.

It's the responsibility of all road users to know how to respond to emergency vehicles when driving. It is an offence not to give way to an emergency vehicle that has its lights flashing and or its sirens activated. The offence carries a $150.00 fine and 4 Demerit Points.
So, what do I do?

- Don't panic, it's important that you stay calm.
- As soon as you see the lights or hear the sirens, check to see which direction the emergency vehicle is coming from and think carefully about how you're going to react.
- Be weary of other road users, some drivers tend to panic and can behave bizarrely when they are confronted with the flashing lights and loud sirens.
- Give way by merging left if it is safe to do so.
- If you cannot move left safely you should slow down or stop and let the emergency vehicle overtake you.
- Do not speed up or try to outrun the vehicle as this is dangerous.

Suspicious Activity

As a reminder, if you see anything suspicious please call 131 444 or contact Cue Police Station directly on 9963 8800. Feel free to call at any time 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Don't forget though, in an emergency always call 000. If we are not at the station the phones will divert to Geraldton Police Station who will then advise us to contact you at the next possible opportunity.

I would like to wish everyone a safe, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Until next time.

Nick and Al
Cue Police

OUTBACK Parks & Lodges
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E leonora@opl.net.au
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• Gymnasium
• Recreation room
• Self contained units
• Dining room
• BBQ area
• Guest laundry
• Mining shutdowns
• Foxtel
• Single rooms with en-suite
• Double rooms with en-suite
Leonora Caravan Park
42 Rochester St, Leonora, WA 6438
P 08 9037 6568
E leonoracp@opl.net.au
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• Campers kitchen & free BBQ area
• Guest laundry
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P 08 9031 1072
E lavertoncp@opl.net.au
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• On site vans
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On their wedding night, the young bride
approached her new husband and asked
for $20.00 for their first lovemaking
encounter. In his highly aroused state,
her husband readily agreed.
This scenario was repeated each time they made
love, for more than 40 years, with him thinking that it was a
cute way for her to afford new clothes and other incidentals that
she needed.
Arriving home around noon one day, she was
surprised to find her husband in a very drunken state.
During the next few minutes, he explained that
his employer was going through a process of corporate
downsizing, and he had been let go.
It was unlikely that, at the age of 59, he'd be able to find
another position that paid anywhere near what
he'd been earning, and therefore, they were financially ruined.
Calmly, his wife handed him a bank book which
showed more than forty years of steady deposits and interest totaling
nearly $1 million. Then she showed him certificates of deposits issued
by the bank which were worth over $2 million,
and informed him that they were one of the largest depositors in the bank.
She explained that for more than
three decades she had 'charged' him for sex,
these holdings had multiplied and these were the
results of her savings and investments.
Faced with evidence of cash and investments
worth over $3 million, her husband was so astounded he could
barely speak, but finally he found his voice and blurted out,
'if I'd had any idea what you were doing,
I would have given you all my business!'
That's when she shot him. You know, sometimes, men just don't know when
To keep their mouths shut

Women are like phones: They like to be held, talked to, and touched often.
But push the wrong button and your ass is disconnected!

SINOSTEEL SMC

Resourcing the Region

Sinosteel Midwest Corporation Limited
Wajarri Drive Program

In discussion with the SMCL's Wajarri Liaison Committee and leaders within the field of Aboriginal employment, education and training many gaps have been identified for Wajarri people to obtain and maintain employment in the Mid West region. One barrier identified was the ability of Wajarri people to gain a drivers licence. SMCL has utilised funding from the Wajarri Education, Training and Employment Fund which has been made available through the SMCL's Wajarri Yamatji Weld Range Heritage Agreement to develop the Wajarri Drive Program.

Eligibility

- Must be a Wajarri Person
- and have a learners permit

Benefits

- Full funding to secure 10 Wajarri people per year to obtain 50 logbook hours with a qualified drive school in Carnarvon, Geraldton and Mullewa.
- Extra assistance may be available to purchase logbook, practical driving assessment, hazard perception test, learners and drivers licence cards. This is assessed on a case by case basis.

Support programs

- If there are problems with gaining a learners licence Wila Gutharra operate a program which allows aboriginal people to sit their learner's theory test*. This test is easier to understand and is subsidised.
- If you are registered with The Salvation Army Employment Plus, Missions Australia or Skill Hire there may be funding that can be accessed for logbook, practical driving assessment, hazard perception test, learners licence and drivers licence cards.

EOI are currently being accepted for 2015 with 2 places available in Carnarvon, 2 in Mullewa and 6 in Geraldton. A maximum of 3 missed driving lessons will be allowed before the participants place will be given to the next Wajarri person who has been on the wait list.

The Wajarri Drive Program is a great opportunity for Wajarri people to gain their drivers licence and take a huge step forward to securing employment and their future.

Contact Marianne Miller Wajarri Liaison Officer for Sinosteel Midwest Corporation Limited for further details. 0457020152 or 0894294859.

*ID needed for the Department of Transport (08) 99560113 and Wila Gutharra (08) 99561100 best to phone ahead and make sure you have all the ID needed before you attend.

SHIRE OF CUE - CHRISTMAS CLOSURE DATES

SHIRE OFFICE

Between Thursday 25 December 2014 and Monday 5 January 2015 the Shire Office will be open as follows:

Thursday 25 December (Christmas Day)	Closed
Friday 26 December (Boxing Day)	Closed
Saturday 27 December	Closed
Sunday 28 December	Closed
Monday 29 December	Open 9am to 4pm
Tuesday 30 December	Open 9am to 4pm
Wednesday 31 December	Open 9am to 4pm
Thursday 1 January (New Years Day)	Closed
Friday 2 January	Closed
Saturday 3 January	Closed
Sunday 4 January	Closed
Monday 5 January	Open usual hours

WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Works Department will close at 12 Noon on Wednesday 24 December 2014 and re-open at 6.00 am on Monday 5 January 2015.

Please note: rubbish collection days for this period will remain unchanged:

Friday 26 December
Tuesday 30 December (commercial only)
Friday 2 January

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Chief Executive Officer	0427.080.205
Senior Administration Officer	0497.660.499
Works Contact	0487.981.713

Dear Ian,

After reading last month's edition of the Dry blower I thought it about time to make a contribution to this community publication and express my appreciation for the effort that you as the editor and your team put into producing it each month. It can't be easy working full-time running a 7 day a week business managing staff and tending to the day to day operations to find the time to bring this unique publication together but the fact that you do shows that you are very community minded. It would no doubt be easier to just use your down time to stay at home kick back relax and watch TV or something just as effortless. I am sure that the silent majority of Cue also appreciates your efforts and looks forward to receiving and reading their monthly Dry blower.

I read with interest your "From the Editors Desk" articles especially your take on daily life in Cue. Some time ago you mentioned something about Attitude and what we choose to focus on in determining whether or not we are positive happy people or sad old negative nancys. You are totally right, it is so easy to focus on all the things we want and don't have or wish were different or better, it is just too easy most of us do it without even realising. It is much much harder to take the time to sit down and focus on some positive aspects of one life, but if you do take the time out to appreciate what we have and generally happier person that more often has a smile on their face instead of a sad old frown.

I love it here in Cue everyday I get to wake up take in the blue skies and sunshine on my casual walk to work marvelling at some of the grand old buildings thinking back to some to the hardships the pioneers must have endured (they didn't even have air con) call in to Murchison Traders say hi to Amy or Luke grab my morning Mocha Chill and continue onto work. Where else would you rather be? I have lived in the Wheat belt, pretty coastal tourist cities like Albany, I'm from the southwest and know the area from Bunbury to Margaret River well, and finally before moving here the Perth CBD chasing that corporate dream (which I found was just an illusion). Cue has been my favourite place there is something unique here difficult to put your finger on (maybe it's the gold) but it has a certain draw to it. I have met so many good people here from all walks of life and many different places and countries and they have all been extremely welcoming to me and Mika and always willing to lend a hand. It's amazing how once you learn the lay of the land how easy it is to get things, someone always has a spare something or rather at home that they do not use and others are always heading to Perth or Geraldton and will pick something up for you, suddenly the vagrancies of remote living are not really all that difficult. Right now there is no other place I would rather be (despite the thoughts of many back home thinking I have gone a bit crazy) and I would like to hang around for a little while yet, if the other half lets me.

Anyway Ian I could go on and on but I would like to thank you for your efforts, stay positive and don't let the negative nancys get to you down.

Peter Hutchinson

To the Editor

I write this letter to show my appreciation of the way the Cue Dryblower is being presented. It is informative, interesting and has some very good humor. The local mechanic presents some of the best jokes I have read in a long while.

I found it disturbing to read R.M.'s opinion of you as the editor. It seemed very personal which surprises me as I am sure R.M. knows how hard it is to put such a magazine together

I remember the Dryblower when it was full of articles on magic and the mystique of the Inca Indians or pages of passages from the bible. Information that very few people in town could be bothered reading.

I do not want this to seem like a personal dig at R.M. but people in glass houses shouldn't throw stones. I believe one should think about what you say or write and how people are going to interpret what you say because it can sometime sound like sour grapes.

Personally, I am so glad that I do not have to read religious content in our small paper as I had enough of it when I attended school. On a far more positive note it was nice to read the letter written by Amy, It just reinforces what we already know and that is Amy is a beautiful young person. Even though she is working all day long and has a young daughter to look after, she is still prepared to put her hand up to train to be a volunteer ambo because she cares about people in this town, especially when the ambos are under a lot of pressure at the moment. We can only hope that a few more people do the same and help keep this very precious resource operating in Cue.

I will not bore you any more, keep up the good work

Regards

E.B..

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December 2014	
R.F.D.S GP Clinic	2nd and 16th
Child Health Nurse	4th and 18th
Podiatrist	1st
Physiotherapist	8th
Occupational Therapy	Please enquire
Home and Community Care	Twice Weekly
Psychologist	Please enquire

MURCHISON DENTAL TEAM

Visiting Schedule 1st quarter 2015			
Meekatharra	3rd Feb 2015	to	12th February 2015
Mt Magnet	24th Feb 2015	to	5th March 2015
Yalgoo	17th March	to	26th Mar 2015

Meekatharra
99810640
Yalgoo Primary School
99628029
Mt Magnet, Cue, Sandstone
0427386647

Please enquire as above dates are subject to change

Fly Deterrent/Ant Killer

Do you have a Problem with Flies / Ants or other creepy crawlies, try this homemade remedy (send us feedback as to how well it works)

Mix in a spray bottle and spray around areas of pest infestation.

- 3 drops clove oil
- 5 drops lavender oil
- 5 drops eucalyptus oil
- 2/3 cup (150ml) white spirits
- 3/4 cup (200ml) water.

You can also try a couple of drops of pure clove oil around where ants are getting into your home as clove oil will kill the ants.

Mission Australia

The Glass Art workshop has now come to an end.

Many Thanks to the CRC for hosting the workshop, and also to Mission Australia and the participants.

Here are some pics of the items produced during the workshop.

DID YOU KNOW?

It is an offence to have your dog wandering at large

- **Fine (per offence): $100.00**

All cats and dogs over the age of six months must be registered

- **Fine (per offence): $100.00**

All dogs and cats must be identified by a collar and registration tag

- **Fine (per offence): $50.00**

Please ensure that:

1. **Your dog is on a leash at all times whilst outside your property**

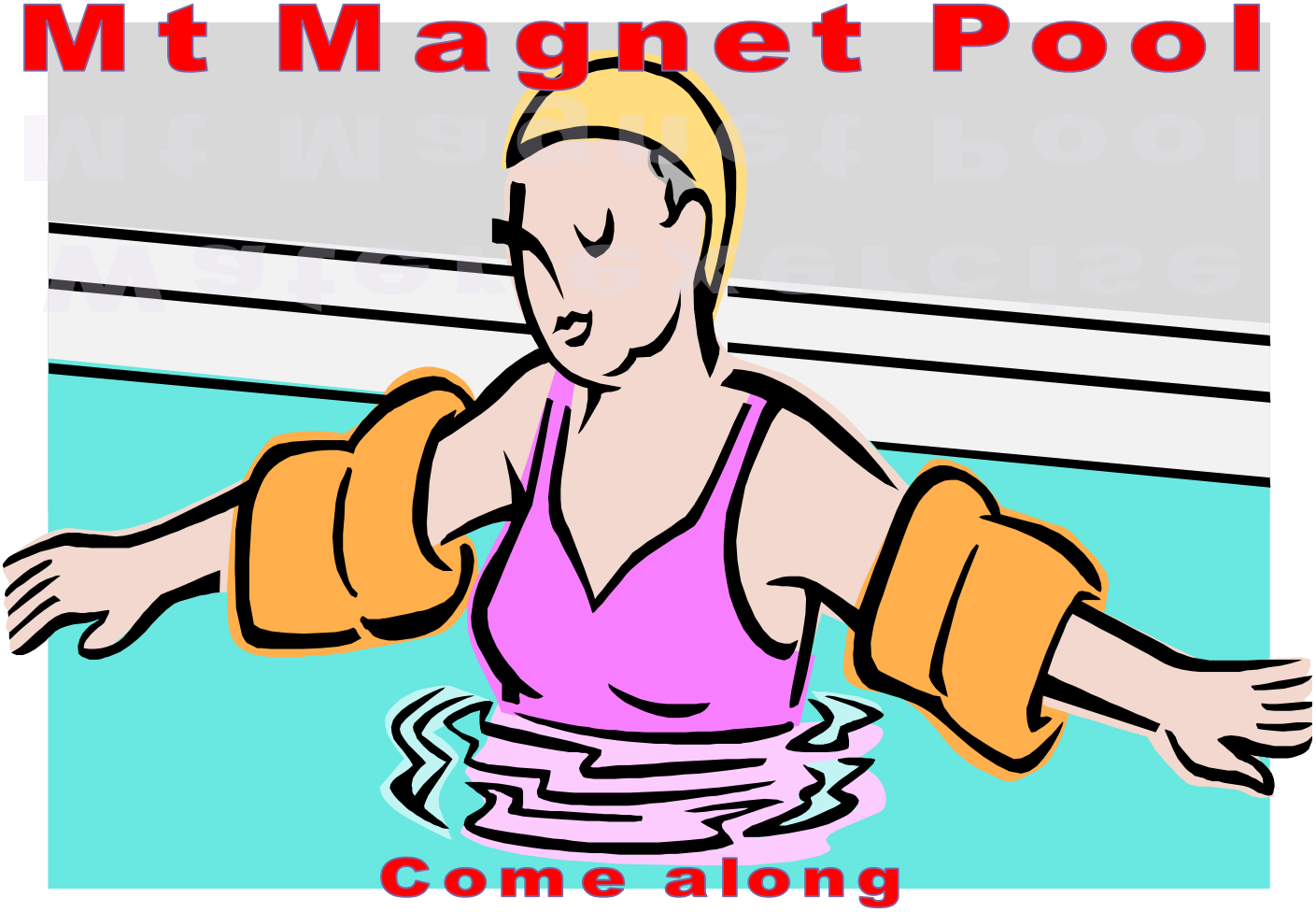
2. **All cats and dogs over the age of six months are registered with Council**

3. **All cats and dogs are identified with a collar and Council registration tag**

Council's Ranger WILL issue fines for breaches of the Dog Act 1976 and any cat or dog not able to be identified may be destroyed.

Merry Christmas
Aussie Christmas
Saturday 13th December 2014
WHERE: Park between the Water Playground and Playground area beside the Town Hall.
Presents from Santa!
Santa arrives at 7pm!
Lollies & Christmas Candles for the kids!
5:45 PM BBQ, Salads, Cool Drinks supplied
Bring chairs, ground rug.
see you there

Water exercise
Mt Magnet Pool



Come along

and join in the fun

leaves the Cue CRC at 9am

Monday & Friday

Cost $2 entry

Volunteer's Night

Volunteers Night

Volunteer's night was on again, this is a night where the Shire of Cue honours the Volunteers who put in many dedicated hours of behind the scenes work. Maggie and Neil Lawton were presented with special thankyou gifts for their many years of volunteering.

BIRTHDAY LIST

Maggie Blake	01.12
Ray Irvine	28.12

Favourite Recipe

Whip together a 395g can of sweetened condensed milk and 600ml of whipping cream until nice and thick.

Crush 400g chocolate bars (depending on the amount of chocolate you like) of your choosing and stir into the cream mixture.

Cover a shallow dish with a layer of plain biscuits.

Cover the biscuits with a layer of the cream mixture, make sure it is flat on top.

Then add another layer of the biscuits.

Freeze and cut into small or large slices

ENJOY

Submit you favourite recipes to the Dryblower down at the CRC.

(p.s samples will be graciously received and consumed)

Some Australian facts for December -

- Cyclone Tracy, Darwin December 1974
  The northern Australian city of Darwin was devastated early on Christmas morning 1974 when hit by the tropical weather depression that was given the name Cyclone Tracy. As the eye of the cyclone passed over the city between midnight and 7am on Christmas morning, torrential rain fell and the winds were officially recorded at 217 kilometres per hour prior to the Bureau of Meteorology anemometer being destroyed. Houses and other buildings disintegrated under the onslaught, accompanied by the sounds of flying debris and breaking glass. Records have identified 66 names of individuals who perished as a result of the cyclone (53 on land and 13 at sea), and many more were injured. Seventy per cent of Darwin's homes were destroyed or suffered severe damage, and all public services – communications, power, water and sewerage – were severed.

- Every December
  The Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race (sometimes referred to as the Bluewater Classic in the Australian media) is an annual event hosted by the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia, starting in Sydney, New South Wales on Boxing Day and finishing in Hobart, Tasmania. The race distance is approximately 630 nautical miles (1,170 km) The race is run in co-operation with the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, and is widely considered to be one of the most difficult yacht races in the world.

- The Eureka Stockade December 1854
  Named after the 'Eureka lead', a deep lead of gold being mined by the diggers where they constructed the famous stockade. The stockade itself was a makeshift wooden barricade enclosing about an acre of the goldfields. Inside the stockade some 500 diggers took an oath on the Southern Cross flag, and over the following two days gathered firearms and forged pikes to defend the stockade. Early in the morning of Sunday 3 December the authorities launched an attack on the stockade. The diggers were outnumbered and the battle was over in twenty minutes. Twenty-two diggers and five troops were killed. The Southern Cross flag was pulled from the flagpole and souvenired by the victors. On 6 December martial law was declared, and the following day a Commission into the goldfields was appointed. Thirteen diggers were committed for trial, but all were acquitted when they came to trial in February 1855. Peter Lalor avoided capture. The only person imprisoned as a result of the Eureka Stockade was the Editor of the Ballarat Times, Henry Seekamp, who was found guilty of seditious libel.

- The Eureka legacy
  The Eureka rebellion is considered by some historians to be the birthplace of Australian democracy. It is the only Australian example of armed rebellion leading to reform of unfair laws. The Southern Cross flag has been used as a symbol of protest by organisations and individuals at both ends of the political spectrum.

- Death of the last Gallipoli Digger December 9th 1997

  The death of Mr Ted Mathews; about 50,000 Australians served on Gallipoli, some 8,000 died in 1915. Mr Ted Mathews was the last survivor of those who landed at Gallipoli on 25th April 1915.

Vince Catania MLA
MEMBER FOR NORTH WEST CENTRAL

THE NATIONALS *for Regional WA*

26th November 2014 Media Release

Support Grants Launched for Regional Businesses

State Government grants of up to $25,000 are now available to help regional businesses improve their competitiveness and engage with major projects in Western Australia.

The second regional round of the Industry Facilitation and Support Program (IFSP) would enable eligible small to medium-sized businesses to apply for up to $25,000 in matched funding through the State Government's ***Royalties for Regions*** program.

Regional businesses and economies have many opportunities to benefit from major projects happening across Western Australia." Vince said.

"Supporting and engaging local businesses when entering the market can help to strengthen the local economy. This in turn brings on enormous flow-on benefits to the communities."

A total of $400,000 was awarded to 31 companies in the first round, resulting in the creation of more than 20 new jobs, six apprenticeship positions and generating almost 70 contracts worth more than $21 million.

"Previous grants were used to purchase new equipment, upgrade facilities, engage expert consultants and provide staff with specialised training." said Vince.

"I am pleased to see ***Royalties for Regions*** funding supporting regional businesses and economies to engage in major markets and also look beyond our borders to national and international supply chains."

The second round of the program had been broadened, with the amount available increasing from $20,000 to $25,000 and the turnover threshold cap boosted. The eligible sectors have expanded to include agribusiness and tourism. Previous IFSP recipients would also be eligible to apply

The IFSP assists businesses to increase their competitiveness and help them succeed as suppliers to major market including the resources, utilities, food, tourism and government sectors.

Visit http://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/industry-and-innovation/industry-facilitation-and-support-program-ifsp-regional-round-2 for more information.

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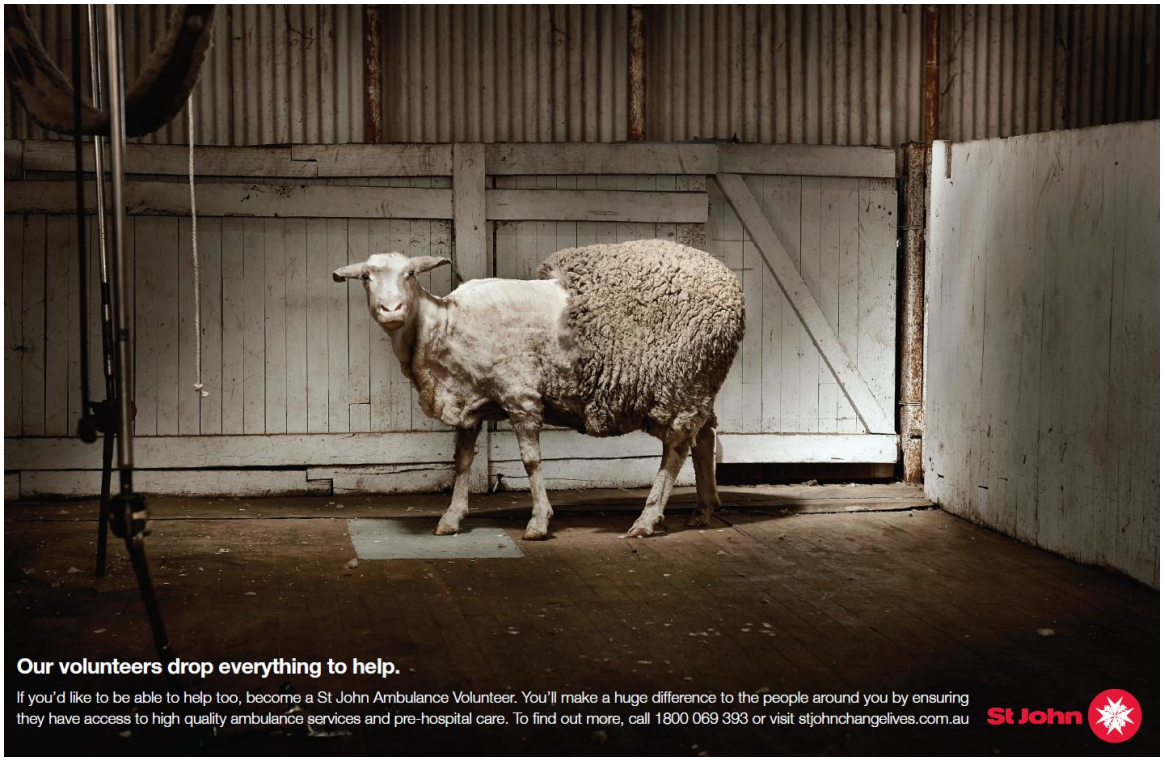

Cue
Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

ACCREDITED TOURISM BUSINESS AUSTRALIA

The Cue Community Resource Centre would like to inform the Residents that it will be closed from the 24th December and re-open 2nd of January. Any queries please contact the staff before the 24th,

Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Regional Development**

ROYALTIES
FOR REGIONS

14 November 2014

New residential and industrial lots to meet growth in the Mid West region

LandCorp has announced the construction of more than 20 new residential and light industrial lots across the Mid West region in response to continued growth in agriculture and mining activity.

General manager Stuart Nahajski said the contractors engaged to construct new light industrial lots at Mt Magnet and Cue, as well as the residential lots at Nabawa, will be on-site within the next few weeks. The new lots are essential to support business, employment and lifestyle opportunities in these important Mid West communities.

The projects are funded through the State Government's Regional Development Assistance Program (RDAP), which is designed to benefit regional towns where the private sector is not actively supplying new lots.

"LandCorp was invited by the local governments to undertake the developments. We look forward to delivering more residential land options and greater business opportunities to improve the vibrancy of these Mid West towns and ultimately stimulate interest from private developers" said Mr Nahajski.

All lots will be serviced with underground power and water. Local Jurien Bay contractor, Direct Contracting, will carry out civil works for the seven lots in Mt Magnet and five lots in Cue. WBHO Civil, with a Geraldton base, was awarded the contract for the civil works for the nine residential lots in Nabawa.

"Wherever possible LandCorp seeks to use local suppliers and contractors to maximise the benefit for local businesses and workers in the delivery of our projects," said Mr Nahajski.

As the State Government's land developer, LandCorp has been working closely with local governments, the Mid West Development Commission and relevant Government agencies to supply suitable land to support the future growth of regional WA.

"The Shires of Mt Magnet, Cue and Chapman Valley are very enthusiastic about the land releases and we are already receiving strong inquiries" said Mr Nahajski.

Once released, these new lots will add to the range of LandCorp's residential and light industrial lots available throughout the Mid West region of WA, including those along the stunning Coral Coast (in Kalbarri, Leeman, Green Head and Cervantes) and in Yalgoo, Morawa, Coorow, Meekatharra and Mingenew.

To register interest in these new lots visit www.landcorp.com.au

ENDS

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St Patrick's Catholic Church

Liturgies on Sundays for
August, September, October,
November and December
NB change of times

07 Dec	**Celebration of the Word with Communion**	**10.00 am**
25 Dec	**Christmas Mass**	**9.00 am**

St Patrick's is located on the corner of Marshall and Dowley Streets.
St Patrick's is under the pastoral care of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan of the Order of St Benedict.
Sr Gerri Boylan sgs 9963 4179

Christmas Mass

9.00am

All are welcome

to celebrate

the feast of Emmanuel, God-with-us

St Patrick's Catholic Church

Enquiries Sr Gerri Boylan 9963 4179

CUE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

1st Prize	$500.00
2nd Prize	$250.00
3rd Prize	$100.00

Christmas lights displays will be judged on creativity, festive content and artistic detail.

Biggest not always the best!

Registrations to the Shire before 15th December 2014

Judging will be from 15th to 21st December

Proudly supported by the Shire of Cue

Shire of Cue
Queen of the Murchison

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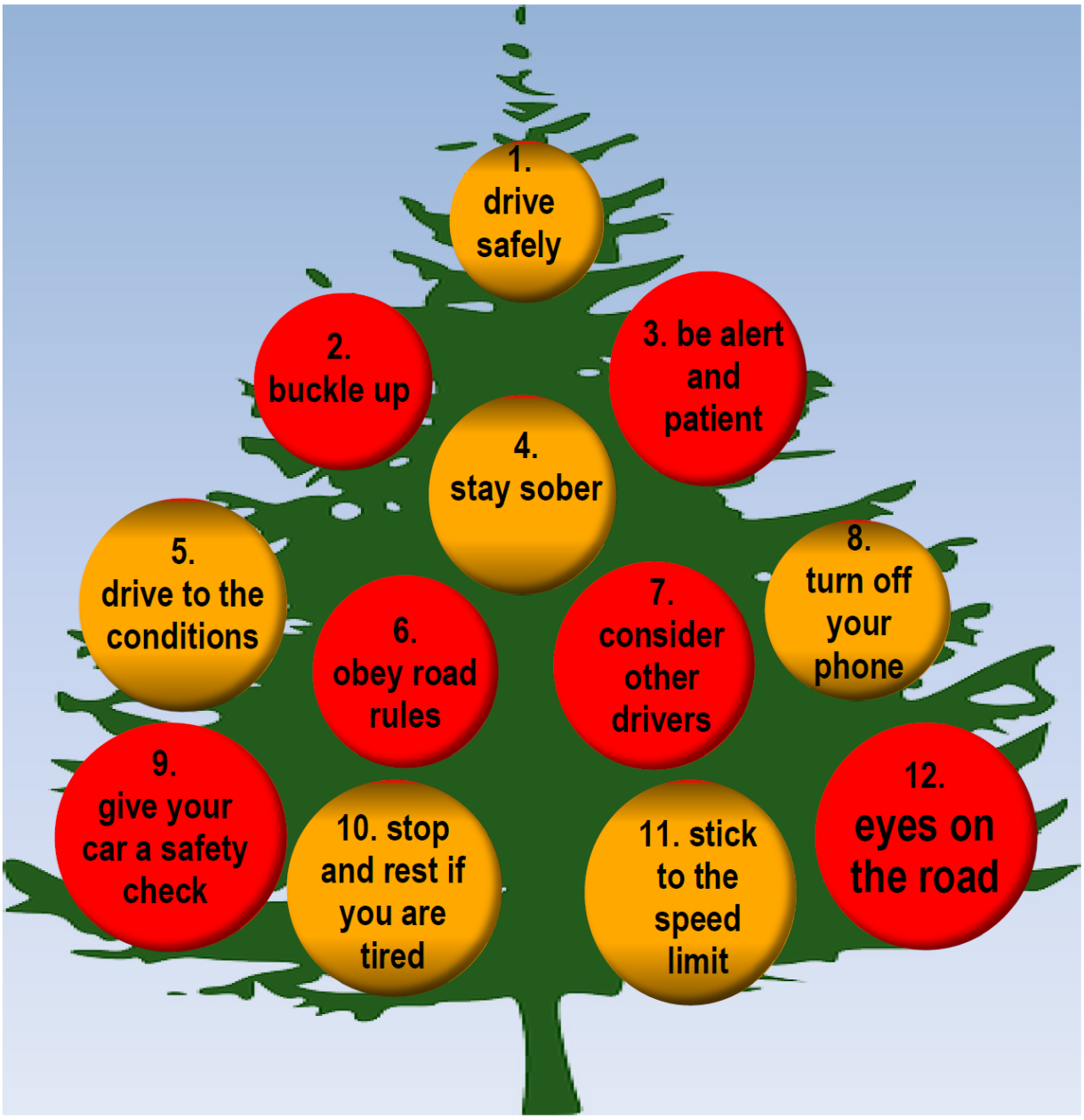
FOR AFTER HOURS NURSE
PHONE 99630100

DO NOT

VISIT THE NURSE AT HOME
REMEMBER RING

99630100

On the first day of Christmas my loved ones advised me……



and arrive home safely

TOWARDS ZERO

SPEED AND RED LIGHT CAMERA FUNDED PROJECT

getting there together

December 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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Merry Xmas** from the **Dryblower. *Compo: Tony Lee*